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I. United States Patents:

United States Patent No. 3,248,411 entitled "Process for the Conversion of Highly Alkylated Tin Compounds into Lower Alkylated Tin Halides" by Neumann et al., issued April 26, 1966.

United States Patent No. 3,894,066 entitled "Method for Making Higher Alkyl Tin Trichlorides" by Buschhoff et al., issued July 8, 1975.

II. Foreign Patent Documents:

Great Britain Application No. 1,501,673, entitled "Process for the Manufacture of Alkyl-Tin Trihalides" published February 22, 1978.

U.K. Patent Application No. GB 2,055,576A entitled "Preparation of Mixtures of Methyltin Trichloride and Dimethyltin Dichloride from Stannic Chloride and Dimethyltin Dichloride" published March 4, 1981.

German Patent No. 1 161 893, published 30 January 1964.

German Patent No. 2 304 617, published 14 August 1974.

German Patent No. 24 44 786, published 8 April 1976.

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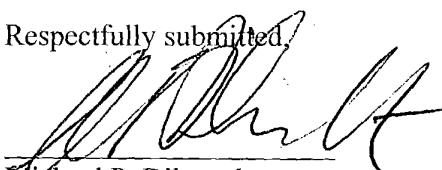
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